# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# POWER
# LOK SABHA

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SUPPLY OF POWER IN BIHAR
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to develop any mechanism for supply of power from the States of Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Jharkhand etc. to meet the power requirement of Bihar; and

(b) the measures taken or proposed to be taken to increase power generation in Bihar?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER ( SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA )

(a) : No request has been received from Bihar for supply of power from the States of Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Jharkhand to meet the power requirement.

(b) : Supply and distribution of electricity in a State is the responsibility of the State Government/State Power Utility concerned.

However, in order to increase power generators in Bihar, the following steps are being taken:-

(i) Besides capacity addition of 135 MW in State Sector in Bihar, a capacity addition of 5650 MW has been planned in Central Sector in Eastern Region in which the State of Bihar will have entitlements.

(ii) Implementation of Renovation, Modernization and Life Extension (R&M& LE) Schemes for old and inefficient generating units for overall improvement in generation performance. BSEB`s proposal forRenovation & Modernisation of Muzaffarpur TPS has been recommended by CEA for financing under Accelerated Power Development Programme.Life Extension of Unit-4 & 5 of Barauni TPS has been planned during the 10th Plan and loan at concessional rates of interest have been made available under Accelerated Generation and Supply programme.